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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

This amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination, and is responsive to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed January 27, 2006.

A credit card authorization is included for the fee to establish the Request for Continued Examination. In the event any additional fee is required for entry of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account 06-0029 and is requested to notify us of the same.

Enclosed are the following:

Amendments to the Claims (pages 2-6)

Remarks and Conclusion (pages 7-8)